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remember that the present site area of our city is not only inadequate but impossible, It is equal to nothing great. We must enlarge our boundaries. If we enlarge our boundaries, it must be over those areas contiguous to us. We cannot begin at the international boundary line and work this way. This question of Greater Vancouver cannot be settled now. But I am going to state frankly, that, whatever I shall have to say on this subject, to you or to any one else now or afterward, so long as I have power to say anything, shall be said upon the basis of an implicit and malterable faith in Burrard Peninsula and its immediate environs as destined for one imperial city-one world port. You will then understand, that I wish every fact I present, and every word I shall say, to be measured from this stake which I wish to drive here: Vanconver is destined to become an Imperial Metropolis. I may as well say another thing here which I consider an axiom of any common sense view of this whole subject. If we go to work to make a great city here individual interests will take care of themselves—and ourselves. Let us say at once that whatever helps to build up Vancouver. helps to build us. Whatever will bring us people and capital, industries and commerce, will work to the financial advantage of the property owners of this district. Is this not plain, that even so far as our own paltry interests are concerned, the big view is the better one? That every property value on the peninsula will on the average be doubled-trebled, with the establishment of those conditions without which, world commerce conjoined with imperial industries would be impossible?

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